

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
OF THE STATE OF IOWA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE DISCIPLINE OF
PRAVINA SHAH, MD, LICENSEE**

No. 02-95-228

**STATEMENT OF CHARGES
&
INFORMAL SETTLEMENT
(combined)**

COMES NOW the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners (the Board), and Pravina Shah, MD (the Licensee), and pursuant to Iowa Code sections 17A.10(2) and 272C.3(4), enter into the following Statement of Charges and Informal Settlement.

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

1. The Licensee was issued license number 27273 to practice medicine and surgery in Iowa on August 22, 1989. The license is valid and will next expire on October 1, 1998.

2. The Board received a complaint questioning the Licensee's ability to practice medicine competently. An investigation into the complaint was conducted.

3. The Board's investigation found that the Licensee may be unable to practice medicine safely and skillfully due to a physical condition known as connective tissue dysplasia with ligamentous laxity as diagnosed by the Licensee's Mayo Clinic physician.

4. Pursuant to pertinent provisions of sections 148.6(1), 148.6(2) and 148.6(2)*h*, of the 1997 Code of Iowa and 653 IAC 12.4, 12.4(4) and 12.4(14) the Board is authorized to impose discipline against the Licensee.

INFORMAL SETTLEMENT

5. The Board has jurisdiction over the parties and subject matter herein.

6. The Licensee admits the allegations contained in paragraph 3 of the Statement of Charges.

7. Immediately upon the Board's approval of this Statement of Charges and Informal Settlement the Licensee's Iowa medical license shall be indefinitely suspended due to her physical condition described in paragraph 3 herein.

8. The Licensee may apply for reinstatement of license at any time however as part of any application for reinstatement of license the Licensee shall

submit documentation showing that her ability to practice medicine safely and skillfully is no longer impaired by the physical condition described in paragraph 3 herein.

9. In connection with any License reinstatement proceeding the Board may require the Licensee to show proof of her competency to practice medicine in Iowa.

10. Any reinstatement application shall be made pursuant to Iowa Code section 148.9 and 653 IAC 12.50(36).

11. This Statement of Charges and Informal Settlement is the commencement and resolution of a contested case proceeding and is subject to approval of the Board. If the Board fails to approve this Statement of Charges and Informal Settlement, it shall be of no force or effect to either party.

12. By entering into this Statement of Charges and Informal Settlement agreement, the Licensee voluntarily waives any rights to a contested case hearing on the allegations contained in the Statement of Charges, and waives any objections to the terms of the Informal Settlement.

13. The Board's approval of this Statement of Charges and Informal Settlement shall constitute a **FINAL ORDER** of the Board.

STATEMENT OF CHARGES AND INFORMAL SETTLEMENT (combined)
Pravina Shah, MD

Pravina S. Shah, MD
Pravina Shah, MD, Licensee

Signed in my presence by Pravina Shah, MD, on May 21, 1997.



Notary Public or Disinterested witness

This Statement of Charges and Informal Settlement is approved by the Board on
May 22, 1997.

Teresa Mock MD
Chairperson
Iowa Board of Medical Examiners

c: Ann M. Martino, PhD, Executive Director
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